

Senate File 2174 - Introduced

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to administration of vaccines in schools.

2 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. **280.16B Administration of vaccines.**

2 1. For purposes of this section, unless the context
3 otherwise requires:

4 *a. "Personnel authorized to administer vaccines"* means
5 a school nurse or other employee of a school district or
6 accredited nonpublic school trained and authorized to
7 administer vaccines.

8 *b. "School nurse"* means a person who holds an endorsement
9 or a statement of professional recognition for school nurses
10 issued by the board of educational examiners under chapter 272.

11 2. The board of directors of a school district and the
12 authorities in charge of an accredited nonpublic school shall
13 not permit the administration of vaccines to a student on the
14 school premises or through a school-sponsored vaccination
15 effort by personnel authorized to administer vaccines unless
16 the student's parent or guardian provides prior written
17 authorization to the school for the administration of each
18 vaccine administered. The student's parent or guardian shall
19 be provided with educational materials regarding the vaccine
20 to help the parent or guardian make an informed decision. The
21 educational materials shall include but are not limited to
22 information regarding the vaccine's safety and the possible
23 side effects and adverse events related to the vaccine, and
24 information regarding how to identify an adverse reaction
25 and how to report an adverse reaction to the vaccine adverse
26 event reporting system co-managed by the centers for disease
27 control and prevention of the United States department of
28 health and human services and the United States food and drug
29 administration.

30 3. The department of education, the board of medicine,
31 the board of nursing, and the board of pharmacy shall, in
32 consultation with an organization representing school nurses,
33 adopt rules pursuant to chapter 17A to administer this section.

34 EXPLANATION

35 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with

1 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

2 This bill provides that the board of directors of a school
3 district and the authorities in charge of an accredited
4 nonpublic school shall not permit the administration of
5 vaccines to a student on the school premises or through a
6 school-sponsored vaccination effort by personnel authorized to
7 administer vaccines unless the student's parent or guardian
8 provides to the school prior written authorization for the
9 administration of each vaccine administered. The bill requires
10 that the parent or guardian be provided with educational
11 materials regarding the vaccine to help the parent or guardian
12 make an informed decision. The educational materials shall
13 include but are not limited to information regarding the
14 vaccine's safety, possible side effects and adverse events
15 related to the vaccine, and information regarding how to
16 identify an adverse reaction and how to report an adverse
17 reaction to the vaccine adverse event reporting system. The
18 bill requires the department of education, the board of
19 medicine, the board of nursing, and the board of pharmacy, in
20 consultation with an organization representing school nurses,
21 to adopt administrative rules to administer the bill.